

Battle Mountain Band of Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians

Elected Officials

Chairwoman: Lydia Johnson

Environmental Director: Cheryl Dixon

Land Base: 683.3 acres

Primary Economy: Tribal Government

Population and Poverty (2010 Census): 148 residents live on the Reservation; 39.1% of whom live below the poverty line.

Educational Attainment (of persons over 25): 36.4% have at least a high school diploma, 0% have a bachelor's or graduate degree.

EPA Funding (2015-2016):

GAP	\$159,454
DWTSA (Interagency Agreement with IHS)	\$1,262,214
	\$1,421,668



About the Tribal Government

The Te-Moak Western Shoshone Council (Te-Moak Tribe) was established in 1982, and retains jurisdiction over all lands within its four constituent Colony Communities: the Wells Band Colony, the Battle Mountain Band Colony, the South Fork Band Colony, and the Elko Band Colony. Each constituent Colony has representation on the Te-Moak Council and also has its own Band Council, which retains sovereignty over all other affairs. EPA formerly provided grants with the larger Te-Moak Tribe, but now issues grants to each of the Colonies.

GAP Activities

The Tribe utilizes GAP funds to conduct the following activities: community outreach and education, extensive collaboration and consultation with other Federal agencies on environmental issues, and other activities to support building environmental capacity.
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Drinking Water Activities

The EPA-funded arsenic removal treatment plant is functioning well, and currently provides water that meets all drinking water standards. (b) (5)

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Solid Waste

Waste management infrastructure in Nevada is limited. A community starting a recycling or composting program faces many challenges, and the Battle Mountain Band is no exception. EPA has recently worked with the Environmental Finance Center Region 9 (EFC9) to investigate ways to make recycling programs more economically feasible for tribes located within the state of Nevada. EFC9's work will potentially enhance the work that the Band has already initiated. In addition to more advanced waste management programs, tribes in remote locations in Nevada also find it difficult to deal with problem waste streams, such as vehicles, tires, and household hazardous waste. EPA continues to work with the Band to address those issues, as well.
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